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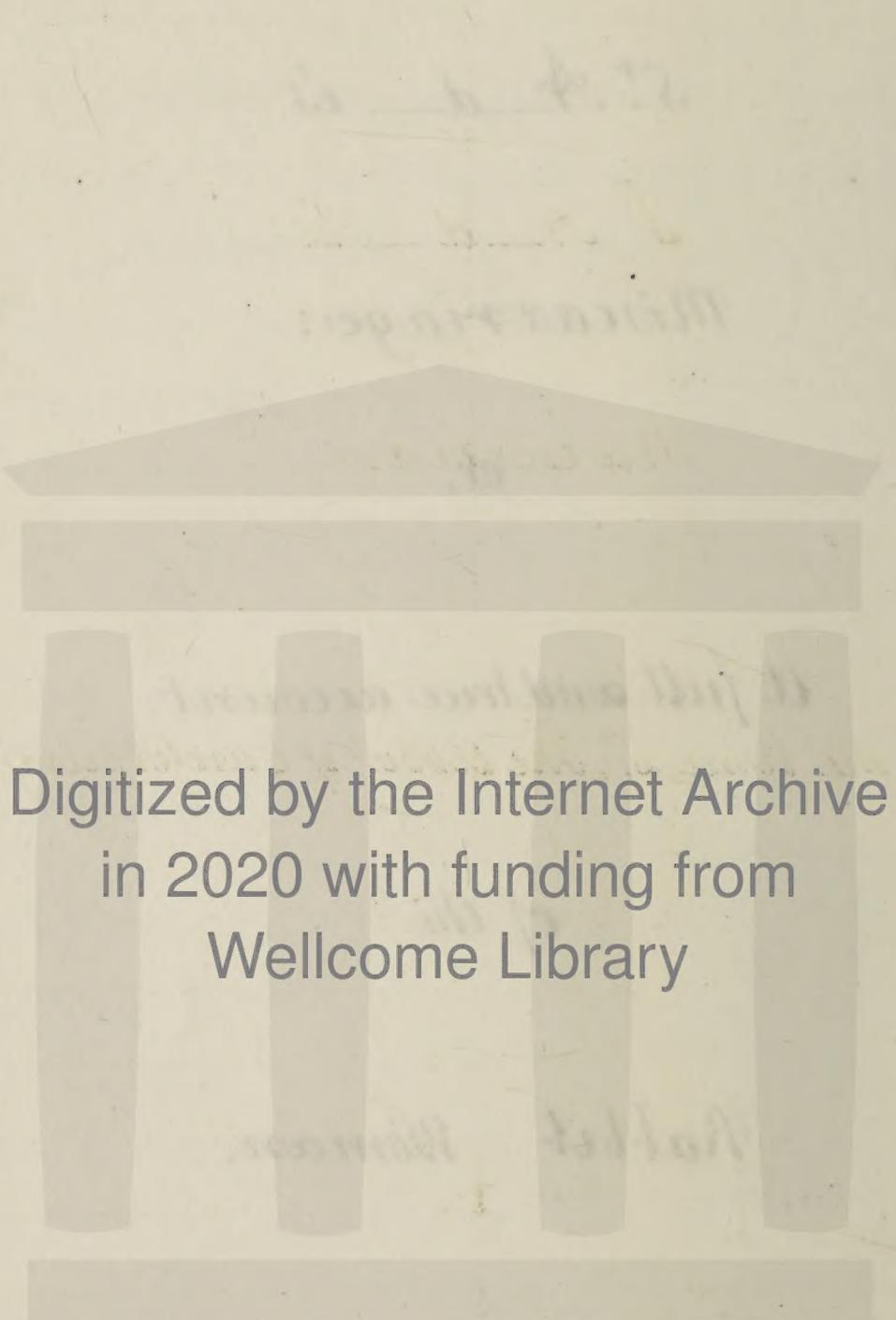
a full and true account.

of the

Rabbit Woman.

London:

Printed for E. Nutt, and M. Smith, at the Royal Exchange; A. Dodd at the Peacock without Tem-
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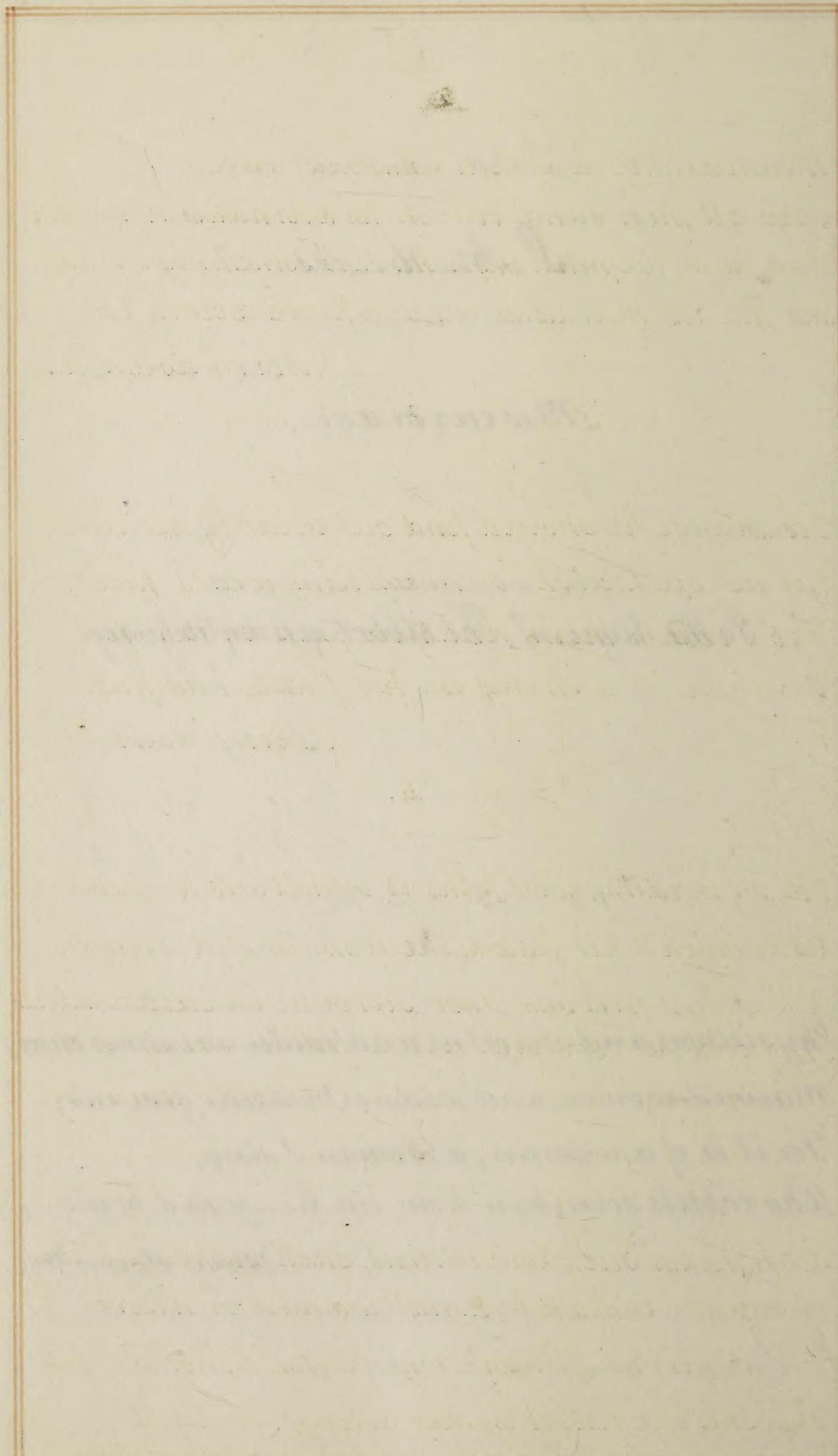
Miscarriage.

To the tune of, The Abbot of Canterbury.

I.

Physicians, and surgeons, and midwives draw near;
Maimed-women, and widows, & virgins give ear;
For it is of a woman, a woman I sing,
Who rabbets seventeen from one b—y did bring.

Derry down, &c.



2.

Monsieur St. Al-d-e, that anatomist rare,
 Says all these same rabbits proæternatural were;
 And, faith, we must own there is something in that,
 For the first that came out, did prove a black cat.

Derry down, &c.

3.

Tis strange he should find out a cat by her claw,
 Yet not see that H-d made him a cat's paw;
 Tho' I rather think he knew puss by her gut,
 Which he for a string on his fiddle had put.

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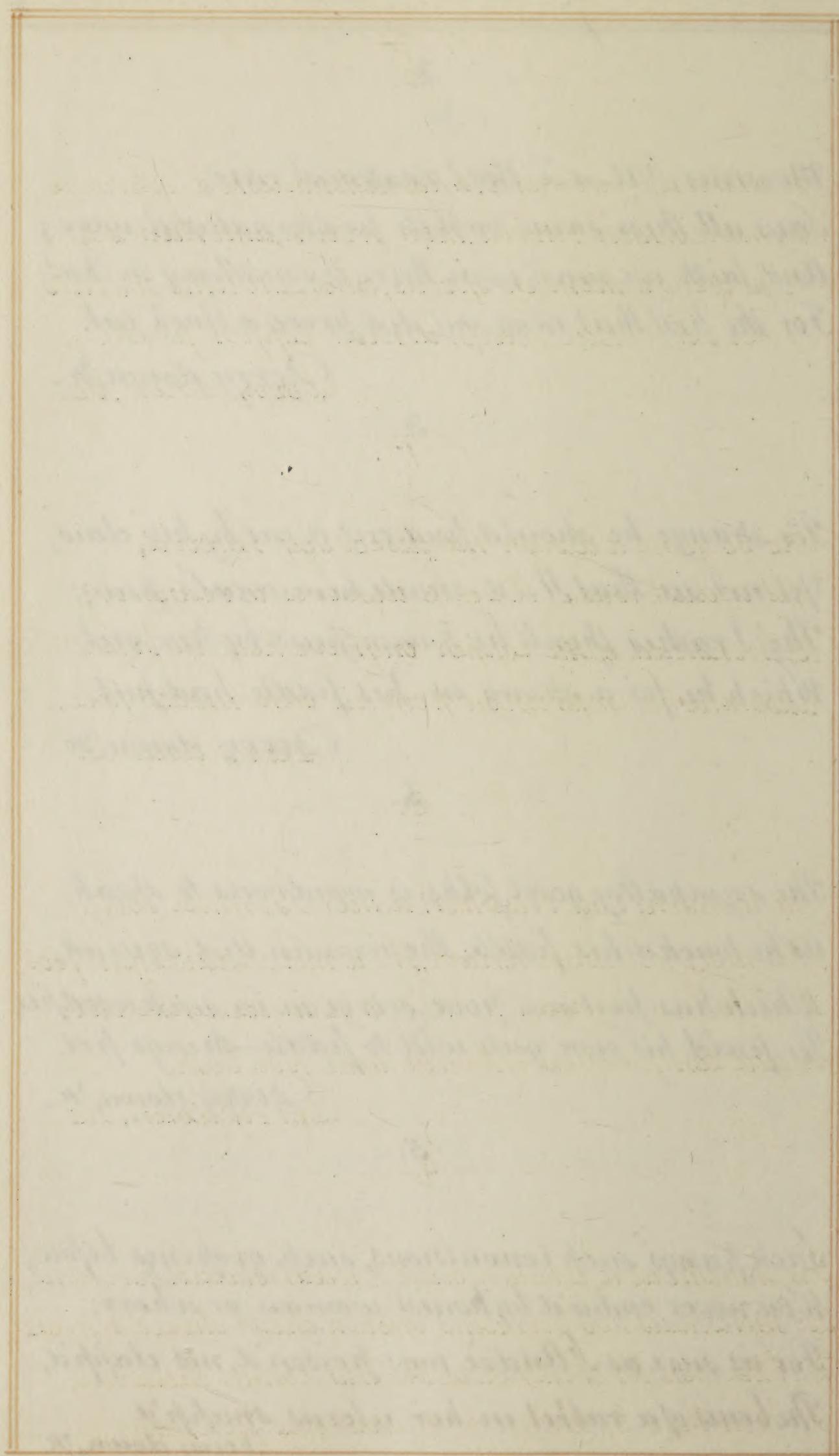
The sympathy, good folks, is wondrous to speak,
 As he touch'd his fiddle, the woman did squeak,
 Which has put our poor surgeon in such a sad fit,
 Tis fear'd his own guts will to fiddle-strings fret.

Derry down, &c.

5.

Such pangs, such convulsions, such groanings before,
 Were never endur'd by honest woman or whore;
 For as sure as St. Andre was poison'd, not clapp'd,
 The bones of a rabbit in her uterus snapp'd

Derry down, &c.



6.

He dissected, compar'd, and distinguish'd likewise
The make of these rabbits, their growth, and their size;
He preserv'd them in spirits, and — a little too late,
Preserv'd (Vertue sculp) a neat copper plate.

Derry down, &c.

7.

The' so good a design the discovery marri'd,
Yet industrious Sir Al-d-e deserves a reward;
But instead of the copper engrave him in brass,
And take the impression from his own modest face.

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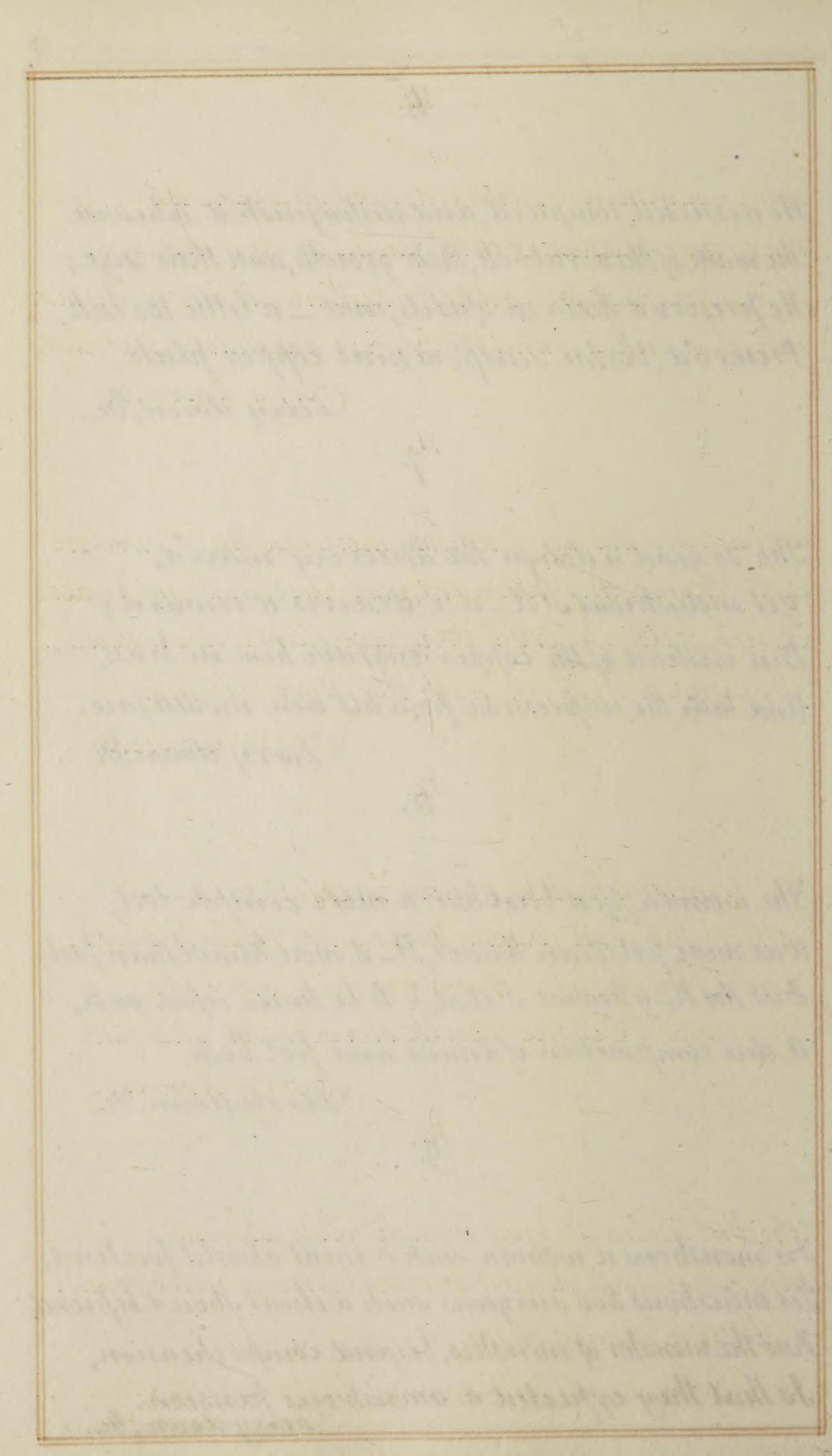
The woman (God bless her) a mere simple fool,
Was more fool than knave, H-d more knave than fool;
But the K-g knows Sir Al-d-e to be twice upon oath,
A due composition of knave and fool both.

Derry down, &c.

9.

Tis monstrous a woman such a cheat should pretend;
Tis monstrous two surgeons such a cheat shou'd befriend;
But the monster of monsters, beyond comprehension,
Is that they expected a monstrous pension.

Derry down, &c.



10.

From Godlamin to Guildford, from Guildford they brought
 The woman to London, rabbit-quick, as they thought;
 To a bagnio they brought her, where much money was betted,
 Where Sir Richard and Molly were damnably swoated.

Derry down, &c

11.

But among the fam'd doctors there was one Dr. Meagre,
 Most learn'd, most profound, most purblind and eager;
 Fourta' fellows, he cry'd, they have, damn it, no skill,
 Me purge her rabbits with one Mercury Pill.

Derry down, &c

12.

Tho' some say he did a nice forefis contrive,
 To kill the good woman, & bring the rabbits alive;
 For he had from Paris no orders to seve her
 By Mons. Petit, the french surgeon or shaver.

Derry down, &c

13.

The Parliament was in a terrible stound,
 Who the members should be of the burrow new-found;
 And let it be said to the praise of this land,
 There were young folks enough full ready to stand.

Derry down, &c

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14.

The women, sic on 'em, do talk without shame,
 Nor scruple, in latin, to mention that same;
 And shortly intend to get figures in china
 Of the diaboli morsus, and eke the vagina

Derry down, &c

15.

Good midwives, alas! your trade is undone,
 Dame Natures recesses are secret to none;
 And a girl of fifteen knows so much of the matter,
 She'll deliver herself without all that clatter.

Derry down, &c

16.

The counties of Suffolk and Norfolk complain
 That the gentry at C—s should take such disdain;
 The Poulterers cry out from every stall,
 G-d rabbit the woman, Sir A-d-e and all.

Derry down, &c

17.

S'r A-d-e, Sir Richard, who have made all this bother,
 What woud ye not give these rabbits to smother?
 But since no more rabbits are sold, it is meet
 That a ballad at least should be sold thro' the street.

Derry down, &c

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